**Central Research Institutes in Tamil Nadu**

3000. SHRI S. ANBALAGAN: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Central Research Institutes located in Tamil Nadu;

(b) the percentage of the number of Central Research Institutes in the State out of the all Inida figure;

(c) the reasons for the very less number of research institutes in the State;

(d) whether Government propose to set up more Central Research Institutes in the State; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL) : (a) to (c) According to the latest available official publication "Directory of R&D Institutions 2006", there are 49 Central Research Institutes in the State of Tamil Nadu which form 6.9% of the all India figure. The State of Tamil Nadu is ranked 7th among all the States in terms of number of Central Research Institutions.

(d) and (e) Yes Sir. The setting up of Research Institutes in various States is a continuing process. In the Eleventh Five Year Plan, the Government proposes to set up Research Institutes in diverse S&T areas in various States. A proposal to strengthen Cancer Research Institute at Chennai, Tamil Nadu is under consideration.

**Research Institute for Science and Technology**

3001. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Science and Technology Department has proposed to set up a research institute to look for green technology for industry in the light of the problem of global warming; and